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**MEETINGS: 7.30 PM
THIRD WEDNESDAY
OF THE MONTH
IN CLUB SHED AT
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71 Wellington Road
WANDIN NORTH**



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BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

YVMPS NEWS



**An easy drive up the Warby Highway will lead you to this great destination
The Three Sugars Café Warburton.**

Proprietor Lachlan Dickson will present you with a great luncheon menu which is also vegetarian friendly. There is easy parking at the rear on the bank of the Yarra river.

I enjoyed a great Barramundi with chips and salad, while Heather had a triple stack hash brown with scrambled eggs. The deserts were out of this world. Fresh coffee and tea, the best cold coffee Milk shake I've had in a while, and a delicious ice cream cabinet to choose from. Also available are pies, pasties and paster, toasted sandwiches and cakes etc. A wine bar will be up and running as soon as the license comes through.

Why this free plug ? Well we had a great day out in the bush, and Lachlan, the proprietor is my sister's grandson and he has only had the business since June. A bit of family support and encouragement was the order of the day. We will be back. Ed.

Remember to pay membership fees. Club meetings now start at 7.30 pm

Finished at last.

Purchased back in January 2021 in a rusty and seized state was this early 1900s potato chip cutter. Over the first six months of this year I have been patiently applying WD40 to all parts that should move, and gently giving them some encouragement to move with the aid of a hammer. Month by month the weekly and sometimes daily procedure continued until finally movement was achieved and it was dismantled and cleaned . So with no engines to work on during this current July lock down, I took the time to paint and reassemble the chipmaker pictured below.

It works a treat.

Now I find that when grilling a chop or two I spread out a number of chips under the griller as well, spray them with cooking oil and salt and when the chops are done, so are the chips. Add some frozen peas from the micro wave and I have an easy meal.



Many thanks to Colin Dickson of Anderson & Associates at 17 Heatherdale Rd. Ringwood for auditing our club books and accounts again this year, and for the assistance he has given to our treasurer.

Thanks also to **Rod Daniel.**
Our treasurer for his work during the year.



Editorial'

I am constantly amazed that in this modern day and age when everyone has a mobile phone that there are still people like Niel who takes six months to get a large, ugly chip chopper in business again, or our son Christopher and his two children who in lockdown take to their bicycles, ride around the district and gather treasures to mend, use or sell from their favorite venue Harvey Nature strip.

Some of these treasures do make good garden ornaments, and Niel's chip chopper, when not chopping chips sits on the top of our bbq and is an interesting conversation starter.

Visiting our son's place and seeing their latest acquisitions is fun, and the habit has been passed on to many of their friends and relations, although Christopher's older brother does refer to him as "Steptoe". He probably made good money from his finds too.

Being reared somewhat differently, I would never have dared do those sort of things, but my sister and I admire and envy the ingenuity of those who do.

I guess most of our readers make or restore amazing acquisitions like this too, and we'd love to hear about them as rallies and articles are thin on the ground at present, so get your act together and send us something.

Best wishes, Heather and Niel.

*Earlier this year I set a target
to loose 10 kilograms through-
out 2021
I now have only 12 to go .*

Good friends help you find
important things when you have
lost them.... things like your
smile, your hope and your courage.

Our member of the month is **Richard Kinnaird**.

I was born in Brisbane on 26th December 1966 and moved to Victoria at the age of three months to live in Dingley. I have one brother and one sister.

I married Michelle on 18th November 1989 and we have three children, Alex 28, Joel 25, and Elise 22.

My first school was Dingley Primary and then on to Keysborough Tech.

My first job(as with most youngsters) was packing supermarket shelves, and I progressed through the store to become the manager

of the fruit and veg., liquor and food sections. My next job was with Sportscraft & Lacost as their fabric quality controller. After that I moved on to 'Castworks' a firm who produce wood fires and a range of heaters, and my job was once again as Warehouse manager.

My favorite engine would have to be the International M, built in 1914 ,pictured above, which was purchased and presented to me for my 50th birthday. It did not look like this then, having many parts missing and in a grimy state and no transporter. I have two other engines both Wolseleys. One is waiting on parts from overseas. The other engine pictured below is mounted in a trailer and was once used as a power plant for our scout camps.

I was made aware of YVMPS by club member Peter Aumann and joined up about 5 years ago.

My other hobbies and interests are many. I have been involved with scouts since childhood, and then as a scout leader and committee member for over 25 years. I also build and fly remote model planes, pictured to the left, I did have a model train set but the Wolseley power plant has taken over that shed. Fishing and caravan touring are other interests. We have just graduated to a van with a shower and toilet, so no longer do we have to go to the toilet block on those cold frosty mornings.

A real highlight of my life was getting married and having children and family life. I should also make mention of the HJ Kingswood sedan I once owned and wish I had kept it, but that's life.



While searching through the many files on the YVMPS news letter records, I came upon this item. It may be something that a previous Editor had saved for future use as I don't recall having seen it in our news letters before. It helps to fill a page while there is little engine action during this time.

A. A. A. D. D.

Went to the Doctor yesterday and have been diagnosed with A.A.A.D.D – Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder. This is how it manifests:



I need to wash my car. As I start towards the garage, I notice that there is mail on the hall table. I decide to go through the mail before washing the car. I put my keys down on the table, put the junk mail in the tidy bin under the table and notice that the bin is full. So, I decide to put the bills back on the table to take out the rubbish first. But then I say to myself, since I am going to be near the mail box when I take out the rubbish anyway, I might as well pay the bills first.

I take my cheque book off the table and see that there is only one cheque left. My extra cheques are in my desk in the study, so I go to my desk, where I find a bottle of soft drink that I had been drinking. I'm about to look for the cheques, but first I need to push the bottle aside so that I won't accidentally knock it over. I notice that the soft drink is getting warm, so I decide that I should put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold. I head towards the kitchen with the bottle of drink. A vase of flowers on the bench catches my eye – they need to be watered.



As I put the drink down on the bench, I notice my reading glasses which I've been searching for all morning. I decide I had better take them back to my desk, but first I must water the flowers. I put the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water, when suddenly I spot the TV remote control. Someone had left it on the kitchen table. I realise that tonight, when we go to watch TV, we will be looking for the remote, but nobody will remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to take it back to the TV room where it belongs, but first I must water the flowers.

I splash some water on the flowers, but most of it spills on the floor. So I put the remote back down on the table to get some towels to wipe up the mess. Then I head down the hall trying to remember why I am going that way and what I was planning to do.



Now, it's the end of the day: the car isn't washed, the bills aren't paid, there is a warm bottle of soft drink sitting on the bench, the flowers aren't watered, there is still only one cheque in my cheque book, I can't find the remote, I can't find my glasses and I can't remember what I did with the car keys. I try to figure out why nothing got done today. I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all day long and now I'm really tired. I realise this is a serious problem and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my emails.

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MEMORIES

Whilst reading through an old copy of 'POWER FARMING' dated March 1953 one rainy day last month, I came across this advertisement (left) for a firm I well recall in Nunawading MOBILCO.

Their show room and factory was in White horse Road just next door to **Turner Industries** where I learnt my trade in the repair and servicing of 4 stroke motor mowers and washing machines. This has now become one of my hobbies some 60 years later.

Getting back to the Mobilco factory. It had a very large show room with a high roof and large window so as to be able to display the Grain elevator. Other products on display were Chains saws, Heavy cut self propelled Slasher, Post hole digger, Fertilizer spreader trailer, Welding generators and the famous Mobilco swing saw.

Amart home of furniture (below) now occupies the Mobilco site Nunawading.
Ed.



COMING EVENTS

*Denotes YVMPS event.
 Contact Alan Shepherd for phone numbers.
 Club meeting dates Covid 19 permitting

- August 18th
- September 15th
- October 20th
- November 17th
- December 15th **Party Night with pizzas**

Once again nothing to report as being open except that **THE BEST OF BALLARAT RALLY** is still advertising to go ahead on October Sunday 17th open 10 AM—4PM at the Airport

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Once only Joining	\$5.00
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